U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPAKTMENT OF the Paperwc-k Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. REQUEST Application Number 09/759,312 **FOR** Filing Date January 12, 2001 **CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)** First Named Inventor Yoshihiro UETA TRANSMITTAL Group Art Unit 2812 Address to: **Commissioner for Patents** Examiner Name S. Mulpuri Box RCE Washington, DC 20231 Attorney Docket No. **29900**2051800 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2. 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Previously submitted Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on iii. х **Enclosed** Amendment/Reply - (15 pages) Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) ii. iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Fee Transmittal + duplicate for fee processing (2 pages); Petition for Extension of Time, Other iv. one month (1 page): Return Receipt Postcard 2. Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required) b. Other The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. 3. Fees The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 x RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) ii. x Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) iii. Other Check in the amount of \$ b. enclosed Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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